

The Annals.

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POLITICAL AND MISCELLANEOUS.

Chicago has a population, as shown by the new city directory, of 800,000. It will be nearly a million in 1891, almost equal to Bay City's proposed growth.

The G. A. R. soliciting committee think the meanest man in Port Huron is the one who answered their circular as follows: "You fellows have been livin' off us business men for the past 25 years."—Port Huron Times.

Cleveland is the first president of the United States who ever recognized "the Confederate States" in an official document. But the United States never had such a president before.—Chicago Inter Ocean.

About the sickliest thing we have seen lately was to hear a Democratic soldier and a G. A. R. man try to excuse the President's action in regard to the rebel flags. The fact is every old soldier with the sensibilities of men feels the insult, be they Democrat or Republican.—Cheboygan Tribune.

A Caro dispatch says that the prohibitionists are organizing in Tuscola county to give local option a trial. The first battle will be fought in that county and if successful will be carried to other counties immediately. Tuscola gave a 301 majority for the amendment.—Port Huron Tribune.

Over a thousand million dollars of paper-money is in circulation in this country. No matter how many banks are robbed and ruined the paper remains as good as silver and gold. This is the best indorsement that the republican party could have.—Bay City Tribune.

Whenever an attempt is made to form a labor organization in South Carolina, it is called a "hostile negro demonstration" and the southern press howls itself hoarse over the "threatened insurrection." Then they go to work and break up the "insurrection." Such is "life, liberty and the pursuit of happiness" in South Carolina.—Detroit Tribune.

It now transpires that some of the rebel flags were returned before the public protest caused President Cleveland to change his mind. It also appears that last April he asked the opinion of the attorney general on the legality of the proposed move, and the attorney general informed him that war relics could not be restored except by act of congress. The excuse that Cleveland's friends have offered, that he offended through ignorance, is therefore, too thin.—Day City Tribune.

The president has finally made up his mind that he will not go to St. Louis during the grand army encampment there. He will postpone his visit until October. St. Louis, he says, will be too hot for comfort until October. Right you are, Grover, and the natural elevation of the mercury would be enormously enhanced by the war veterans if the man who consented to the return of the rebel flags were present. They would make it very hot for him indeed.—Detroit News.

Old Judge Thurman thinks the battle flag incident will all blow over before the next election. Yes, you bet, it will blow all over the land before next election, and it will blow so hard all over that it will blow out the penny dip of Buffalo which was put up by accident for an electric light in the White House. If it does not blow him out of the democratic convention, it will blow him and his party out in the electoral colleges. We imagine we already hear the enemies of the old democracy marching through the land in 1888 singing the Star Spangled Banner. Oh, long may she wave, o'er the land of the free and democracy's grave. It was worse than a crime; that order of Cleveland's; it was a blunder.—Detroit News.

The teachers here are sending petitions to Lansing, asking the legislature to repeal the law whereby every teacher is required to pay annual tax for the support of institutions. This we consider a move in the right direction, for the institute as at present managed is but little benefit to the teacher; they are usually managed by men whose line of thought and experience lies within the walls of our higher institutions of learning rather than among the schools of our rural districts. A summer normal school at each county seat, and lasting six or eight weeks each year, conducted solely in the interests of our district schools by men who know their needs and who are familiar with such methods as will give the teacher of such schools better preparation for their work, is what is needed. A professor of chemistry who has spent his life in the laboratory, who hardly knows the organization of a district school, is a poor man to instruct district school teachers.—Bay City Press.

WASHINGTON LETTER.

[From Our Regular Correspondent.]

WASHINGTON, July 2, '87.

Secretary Fairchild's expedient of prepaying interest and purchasing bonds to relieve the tension of the financial situation may effect his purpose, but I am skeptical on that subject and believe that the disordered finances of the government demand different and extraordinary treatment. The Secretary's action has the appearance of temporarily inflating the currency for the benefit of speculative purposes rather than subserving the substantial business interests of the country. Doubtless the true remedy is an extra session of congress, but it is extremely doubtful whether the democrats have the courage to adopt that measure.

A conference of representative democratic congressmen is announced to take place in this city soon, to interchange views as to party policy. Many of the conferees have already arrived, and it is understood are impatiently awaiting the coming of their chief, Mr. Carlisle, to whom Mr. Randall is expected to play second fiddle in the councils of the free-trade party.

Quite a number of the congressmen have other objects in view, wishing as the Washington phrase runs "to take care" of their friends in the Department and scores of whom are in danger of decapitation on account of democratic reforms (1) having reduced the appropriation bills for the fiscal year ending July 1st. The unfortunates who have to go will be those who are unable to command weighty congressional influence.

The discussion of Mr. Lamar for Supreme Justice develops the fact that the Secretary is not a conservative and dispassionate as is generally supposed, that he is really Bourbon to the core, being reactionary in his tendencies and representing the old rather than the new South. Some years since, Mr. Lamar, while a professor in the University at Oxford, assaulted in open court, at that place, a United States Judge, and a United States Marshal, and afterwards made a speech, priding himself on the exploit. In recent years the Secretary has in the United States Senate, grossly insulted Senator Conkling and defended Jeff Davis, still later he has lowered the flag in honor of Jake Thompson. And, then, worse than all else the Secretary is an ardent and avowed admirer of the arch traitor and nullifier, Calhoun.

A conference of the local civil-service officers of the leading cities of the country, was lately held in Washington to devise a uniform system of making appointments under these rules, the result being that it was decided to make no change in the form of application by candidates, but to prevent favoritism in future, they recommended that all examination papers be marked in Washington by a board of fifteen members from the several Government Departments. As the civil-service concurs in this recommendation, it only needs the president's approval to become effective, which it will probably receive.

The total receipts from internal revenue for the past fiscal year amount to \$118,000,000, an increase of about \$2,000,000 over the previous year, but the Treasury surplus will be less than half what it was a year ago, as very large disbursements begin with the new fiscal year; \$19,000,000 of 3 percent bonds will become due on that day, also \$12,000,000 in pensions and other large expenditures. For the next two months the indications are that there will be decreased receipts and increased disbursements.

The probabilities are that the number of election contests in the next congress will be much less than usual; the testimony in such cases is sent to the Clerk of the House, and he has so far only two or three notices of contests, the time for such action having lapsed in several reported contests, that against Mr. Carlisle among the number.

The sombre folds of crape shadowed the Department of Justice the other day in memory of the death of James Speed, of Kentucky, who was the Attorney-General in the Cabinet of the martyred Lincoln. Mr. Speed is kindly remembered here as a fine type of rugged integrity and old-fashioned statesmanship.

Mrs. John A. Logan has gone to Chicago to prepare for the funeral of her husband's remains in Jackson Park. Mrs. Logan is still uneasy lest a new demand be made for a removal of the Generals' remains from their temporary resting place at Rock Creek Cemetery in this city, on account of an objection of the rector to the quartering of the guard in the graveyard.

The complimentary passes given to newspaper men by a country fair association in Michigan is as follows: "This ticket has probably been paid for a dozen times over by the paper to which it is issued. It will be honored in the hands of any man, woman, or child, white or black, red or yellow, who favors the association by presenting it. It is good for entrance and grand stand, and the bearer, if driving, will be entitled to pass a team free. The association recognizes the fact that its splendid success is owing largely, if not wholly, to the notices so freely given it by the press, and while we cannot render an equivalent in cash, we return our grateful thanks."

How to Pay the Proucher.

To the Editor: There are several ways of paying him, and by far the easiest way is to pay by installments, the smaller the better—for you, of course. At the end of the first year, manage to pay him about one half of the salary due, if it is perfectly convenient. This will be very encouraging, especially if he has a large family. But do not by any means make any sacrifices to raise the money, for your boys must attend the circus, and your girls must have wide sashes and new fans this season, and your wife must have prints and rickrack, and you must have an unusual allowance of tobacco. It is a good plan to pay your indebtedness by giving socials, donations, entertainments, etc. But be sure and hold them at the parsonage. It will save your carpets and furniture from getting soiled and, besides, the ministers' wife ought to do the drudgery, because she never has anything to do—but to wait on people. If you have anything you cannot possibly use, send it to the preacher, and he will doubtless appreciate your generosity.

If your minister does not preach to suit you, do not pay him a dime. What business has he to attack sin in its stronghold? If he is so old-fashioned and conscientious as to expose iniquity and to preach as the "Master" commanded, why let him starve—or send him away, and get a preacher who will wink at your little failings (some people might call those same little failings glaring sins.) But don't worry; the right kind of a preacher will make everything smooth for you. The only difficulty will be this—it will be next to impossible to find the right person. Then go to some other church. Pay the pastor of that church liberally; be generous when the collection plate is passed; take an active part in all church services.

But if you want to go to heaven when you die, attend your own church, and pay your own over-worked and over-burdened minister his whole meager salary in due season.

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That is to say, your lungs. Also all your breathing machinery. Very wonderful machinery it is. Not only the larger air-passages, but the thousands of little tubes and cavities leading from them.

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Call it cold, cough, croup, pneumonia, catarrh, consumption or any of the family of throat and nose and head and lung obstructions. All are bad. All ought to be got rid of. There is just one sure way to get rid of them. That is to take Boschee's German Syrup, which any druggist will sell you at 75 cents a bottle. Even if everything else has failed you, you may depend upon this for certain.

Cheney Happenings.

Things are booming since the rains, and the voice of the mower is heard in the land, and with an occasional special blessing, the latest of which was bestowed on T. H. Heath. It is a girl. C. D. Culver has returned from Ann Arbor after having an operation on his left eye. He hopes to recover his sight. Some light fingered gentry helped themselves to J. A. Lewis' chickens. They afterwards returned, and in anticipation of future possibilities, stole the baby carriage. Look out John, for they are likely to steal the baby next. The railroad slaughtered another batch of cattle last Friday. Owing to the accident of last month by which Dr. Thayer of South Branch lost three horses by lightning, and his protracted illness, he has suspended farming for this season. The Virginia fever patients are all convalescent, and we believe they will "pull through" without treatment. The young man who attempted to swim across Barker's lake to frighten the girls, succeeded admirably in the frightening part, and nearly succeeded in becoming an angel. Take your boots off next time "bub." A. H. Swarthout was in Cheney last Friday, looking after the household effects of Rev. O. Bartlett, who it will be remembered, left under circumstances somewhat damaging to his reputation as a minister. He is now laboring in a saw-mill at Saginaw. Owing to the busy time and the tardy movements of its secretary, there has been no report of the Farmer's Club. They are quite lively, however, and will show up in good time. The coming Pioneer Picnic in August next, is already being talked up, and a good attendance may be looked for. The school in the Odell district will close the 8th inst, Miss Clara Breakey, teacher. This is her second term there and both have been a success. She refuses a third term to attend the Seminary at Detroit, and we lose one of our best teachers.

A Rosemount county farmer owns a rooster that chums with a big black snake. The two hunt together for their food and assist each other in securing it. Frogs and insects being their particular prey, and the fowl doing most of the hard work. Whenever he runs across a particularly fine fat frog, he will strut about it, ruffle his feathers and cluck in order to call his simonist friend, exactly as the ordinary rooster summons his hens to some appetizing morsel. The snake knows the call, and always responds to the satisfaction of the rooster. The pair are a great curiosity and their operations have been watched with interest by many people.—Detroit News.

Miraculous Escape.

W. W. Reed, druggist, of Winchester, Ind., writes: "One of my customers, Mrs. Louisa Pike, Randolph Co., Ind., was a long sufferer with Consumption, was given up to die by her physicians. She heard of Dr. King's New Discovery for Consumption, and began buying it of me. In six months' time she walked to this city, a distance of six miles, and is now so much improved she has quit using it. She feels she owes her life to it." Trial Bottles free at N. H. TRAVEL'S Drug Store.

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The Century for July.
In the CENTURY for July the lighter material is of a sparkling out-of-doors character, and naturally takes precedence in attractiveness at this season. The opening paper by John Horroughs, on Wild-Flowers, is profusely illustrated, and is likely to set many a young woman and summer boarder to botanizing.

A humorous story, yet not without a serious conclusion, is "Sister Todhunter's Heart," by H. S. Edwards, with attractive genre pictures by Kemble, to which there is a foil in Mr. Boyesen's pathetic "Crooked John," in which the writer returns to the Norwegian field of "Gunnar" and his other early successes.

The Lincoln History closes up the Kansas troubles and discusses their corollary, the "Lincoln-Douglas Debates." Interesting and hitherto unpublished letters by Lincoln and Greeley are given. Bowing with becoming humility like good Americans be the common fetic the humorist, readers who are interested in Lincoln will yet not fail to appreciate how necessary to a knowledge of the President it is to know the political soil and atmosphere which made him what he was.

The War Series, followed since the start by the closest attention of thousands, comprises this month the hundred days of battle in "The Struggle for Atlanta," compactly narrated by General O. O. Howard, with a two-page letter from General Sherman, regarding "The March to the Sea." A short communication appears from General Hunt, in reply to General Walker on "The Question of Command on Cemetery Ridge."

The poetry of the CENTURY embraces from month to month many new contributors and a large range of method. This month it is contributed by Edith M. Thomas, the late E. R. Sill, William H. Hayne, Kate Putnam Osgood, Juliet C. Marsh, William Struthers, the late Sidney Lanier, and Gertrude Hall.

Other subjects discussed in the number are, "A New Era in Our History," "Reform in Municipal Government," "College Expenses," "The Metropolitan Spirit," etc.

A West Virginian named Brown presented himself at the pension bureau in Washington, Tuesday morning to furnish evidence in a claim. His mother had borne 33 children in all. Twenty of them were boys, 16 of whom served in the Union army. Two were killed. The other 14 survived. Each of them draws a pension for disability received while in the service. The death of the two boys entitles the mother to a pension also. The files fail to show another record where 16 sons of one father and mother served as soldiers in the late war.—Exchange.

Senator Sherman, writing to Governor Foraker, concerning the rebel flag business, says:

I am delighted beyond expression at your patriotic stand on the proposed surrender of the rebel flags, and your bold defiance of the president. His act was in substance a recognition of the success of the lost cause. A halt has been called, and I am glad that you had the honor to take the first decisive step.

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Dated, May 26th, 1887.
Circuit Court Commissioner for Crawford County.
FRANK HATCH & J. H. HADLEY,
Solicitors for Claimant.
May 26, 87.

